(4) Special branch clerks, Criminal Investigation Department,

(5) Inspectors of Police, Criminal Investigation Department, stationed in Madras, and

(6) Deputy Superintendent, Railways and Criminal Investigation Department.

Houses are rented for those who are not provided with Government quarters.

The number of police officers below the rank of Inspector for whom quarters existed at the end of 1927 was 96 Sergeants, 439 Sub-Inspectors, 1,950 head constables and 14,538 constables. There is no information about the number of quarters since constructed and the number of houses rented for those who are not provided with Government quarters.

Information is also not available regarding the number of houses built, taken on lease or bought for police officers of and above the rank of Inspectors.

(*b*) In the case of officers not entitled to rent-free quarters but provided with residences the standard rent or 10 per cent of the salary, whichever is less, is recovered.

(*c*) & (*d*) Head constables and constables in the City Police who are not provided with Government quarters are granted a house-rent allowance of Rs. 7 and Rs. 5 respectively, subject to approval of residence. For other ranks in the City and for those in the mufassal entitled to rent-free quarters houses are rented for them if Government quarters are not available.

Arrest of Mr. Sambamurti under section 108, *Criminal Procedure Code.*

* 1879 *Q.*—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether proceedings were taken against Sjt. Bulusu Sambamurti under section 108, Criminal Procedure Code, regarding certain speeches said to have been made by him since June 1928;

(*b*) whether any legal opinion was obtained with a view to ascertain whether these speeches or any portions of them fell under section 124-A, Indian Penal Code; and

(*c*) if so, when that was done—either before or after the arrest?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) & (*c*) The Government are not aware whether the police obtained legal opinion or not.

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"May I know whether the hon. the Home Member had any information before, that this Bulusu Sambamurti was delivering lectures that are objectionable?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"That was the subject matter of inquiry by the District Magistrate."

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"Previous to that inquiry did the hon. the Home Member receive any information that Mr. Sambamurti was delivering seditious speeches?"

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur:—"Notice."

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" Did Government send any of his speeches to the hon. the Advocate-General to see whether they can be said to be seditious under the Act ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" No, Sir."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know whether the hon. the Home Member looked into the records of the case ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" The records have been received by the Government and are being looked into "

Proceedings against Mr. Sambamurti.

* 1880 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether the proceedings against Sjt. Bulusu Sambamurti were started by this Government on their own behalf or as agents of some other Government ; and

(b) if the latter, what the other Government is ?

A.—(a) No.

(b) Does not arise.

Mr K. V. R. SWAMI :—" The answer to clause (a) is 'No'. Am I to understand that this answer refers to both parts of the clause ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" Yes."

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" Is the sending of the speeches of Mr Sambamurti—does that also come under the portfolio of the hon. the Home Member ? Otherwise how can he know that the speeches were not sent to the Advocate-General ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" I know the speeches were not sent."

Mr. P. C. VENKATAPATI RAJU :—" If the reply is that no Government authorized the proceedings, then on whose instructions were the proceedings taken ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" The proceedings were taken by the police."

Mr. P. C. VENKATAPATI RAJU :—" Without any instructions from any higher authority ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MUHAMMAD USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" Yes."

Treatment of Mr. Sambamurti while undergoing trial.

* 1881 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state whether the District Magistrate was given any special directions with regard to the treatment of Sambamurti while undergoing trial ?

A.—No.